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Serial No. 09/449,034	Filing Date November 24, 1999	Examiner Melody M. Burch	Group Art Unit 3613
Inventor(s) Lowell Bok et al.			
Title of Invention THREE RUN DISK BRAKE STACK AND METHOD OF ASSEMBLY			

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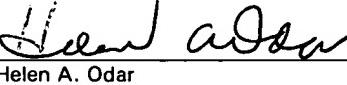
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2001 in the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments for the purpose of placing the application in condition for allowance.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Sub D1. (Twice Amended) A brake disk assembly comprising an end plate, a pressure plate and initially brake disks axially aligned and disposed therebetween, wherein said brake disks, end plate and pressure plate comprise disks of three different wear portions, whereby